

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL  
PUBLIC AWARENESS/EDUCATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES for May 4, 2017

The DVCC Public/Awareness/Education Committee met on May 4, 2017 at the Leonard L. Williams Justice Center, Wilmington. Attending the meeting were: Judge Carl C. Danberg, Court of Common Pleas – Chair; Cindy LaRock, YWCA Delaware; Katrina Banks, Beautiful Gate Outreach Center; Jenn Kutney-Soper, Department of Justice Victim Services; Jennifer Naccarelli, University of Delaware; Joe Miller, Wilmington Police Department; Carmen Mendez, New Castle County Police Department Victim Services; Ariana Langford, Victim Voices Heard, Inc.; Kim Williams, CHILD Inc.; Nancy McGee, Sexual Assault Network of Delaware; Regina Johnson, Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health Services – DSCYF; Maureen Monagle and Pat Kwetkauskie, DVCC staff. Courtney Winkler, Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence participated by telephone.

Call to Order: Judge Danberg called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Minutes: The Minutes from February 1, 2017 were approved as written.

Introductions: Participants introduced themselves.

Overview of the DVCC and Purpose and Focus of the Committee:

Judge Danberg explained that currently the Committee does not have specific charge from the Council. He noted the role of the Committee is to provide a public voice and life to what the DVCC does to educate the public about domestic violence and resources available to victims and their families.

Judge Danberg also discussed the Domestic Violence Forums conducted during 2016 in three high schools as well as the corresponding Healthy Relationships poster contests. He noted the poster contests were well received and indicated the Committee could expand the contest to a statewide initiative. There was discussion about offering non-monetary awards to the poster contest winners. It was decided to pursue a statewide poster contest during the 2017 – 2018 school year

There was also discussion about implementing a consolidated calendar to list various agencies' professional training and educational events. Maureen Monagle will explore the feasibility of using a Google calendar on the DVCC website

In addition, the Committee will provide input on a theme for the DVCC Resource Table to be set up at the Delaware State Fair. Pat Kwetkauskie will email Committee members in two weeks and solicit suggestions.

There was discussion about reviewing DVCC resource materials prior to reprinting. Maureen noted reviews can occur as DVCC's supplies begin to run low.

Judge Danberg indicated the DVCC will engage in strategic planning in the fall. He encouraged Committee members to submit ideas and recommendations for themes that the DVCC should focus on in the next few years.

Lastly, the Committee agreed that dates for quarterly meetings should be set in advance. Pat will arrange meeting dates and notify the Committee.

Next meeting:

The next meeting of the DVCC Public Awareness/Education Committee will be on Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in the Lower Level 2 Conference Room, Leonard L. Williams Justice Center, 500 N. King Street, in Wilmington.

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| Future Meeting Dates are: | Thursday | October 5, 2017   | 2:30 p.m. |
|                           | Thursday | November 30, 2017 | 2:30 p.m. |
|                           | Thursday | January 11, 2018  | 2:30 p.m. |

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Kwetkauskie, DVCC Staff  
May 11, 2017